

SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Agricultural Inspector Aide

NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial) Social Security Number

Your responses to this supplemental questionnaire will be used to help determine how you meet the minimum qualifications and the specific program(s) in which you are interested.

Submit this completed supplemental questionnaire along with your application form. Please note this is a two-sided document.

Insect Pest Detection Program

The Insect Pest Detection Program is a seasonal, full time position. In 2005, the program will begin on May 2 and will end on October 31. Insect traps are deployed according to established protocol at the beginning of the season for the detection of a variety of target pests that includes several species of exotic fruit flies, Gypsy Moth, Japanese Beetle and Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter. These traps are serviced and maintained every two weeks throughout the trapping period specified for each target insect.

Due to the nature of the target pests, some traps are baited with lures containing a small amount of insecticide. All baiting of these lure dispensers is performed in a designated area each day before the trapper leaves for the field. The employer will provide appropriate training and personal protective equipment.

Visual surveys of vegetation are performed in landscaped areas to aid in the detection of certain insects. Shipments of nursery stock from areas infested with these pests are inspected to ensure that life stages of the pest are not present. Shipping restrictions are established, and aides determine the compliance of each shipment of plants within these limits.

There may be part-time work available after the end of the regular detection season.

Agricultural Inspector Aides for Insect Pest Detection Program are trained to:

- Recognize and identify the target insect and its various life stages;
- Assemble, bait, place, maintain, and inspect traps; and
- Perform visual surveys and determine compliance with shipping requirements.

Weed Detection Program

The Weed Detection program is a seasonal full time position that will begin in April or May 2005 depending upon the weather. The length of the season is weather dependant but is expected to last until October 31, 2005. The purpose of the program will be to locate and eradicate noxious weeds in Placer County. Duties will include locating historical noxious weed sites, surveying the sites for noxious weeds, and eradicating any weeds found. Employees will also survey additional areas for noxious weeds.

Employees will contact property owners for permission to enter their property to conduct the survey and eradicate any weeds found. When target weeds are detected, the location will be plotted on maps and recorded on GPS.

The weeds will be eradicated by the method most appropriate to the situation. Methods of eradication will include application of herbicides, removal by hand pulling, or grubbing with shovels, etc. *Employees who apply herbicides will be trained in the proper use of the materials and will be required to utilize appropriate Personal Protective Equipment that will be provided by the employer.*

Employees will be required to drive a county provided vehicle in a safe manner on roads with all types of surfaces ranging from freeways to unpaved roads.

Employees will be responsible for entering data concerning weed locations and eradication measures on a computer database.

Agricultural Inspector Aides for Weed Pest Detection Program are trained to:

- Recognize and identify the target weed species in its various life stages;
- Use all weed eradication tools safely and correctly;
- Properly document detection information and use GPS units

Additional requirements and duties for all detection positions include:

- Establish and maintain a good working relationship with co-workers and the public;
- Understand and interpret policies, procedures, and regulations and be able to effectively communicate this routine information to the public;
- Maintain legible, accurate, and detailed records pertaining to trap locations, dates of servicing, and trap condition;
- Utilize maps/map books, prepare accurate, legible site maps in the field on a timely basis
- Prepare routine summary reports; and
- Sustain a timely trap-servicing schedule.

A valid driver's license is required. An excellent driving record is crucial, and a copy of an applicant's DMV driver's license record must be submitted at the time of the hiring interview. A large majority of an Agricultural Inspector Aide's day is spent in the vehicle driving between detection monitoring sites. Aides will enter and exit their vehicles about 50 times per day and will drive approximately 1,200 miles per month. A County-owned vehicle will be provided.

ASSIGNMENT PREFERENCES

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| Are you willing to accept full-time work? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Are you willing to accept part-time work (less than 40 hours per week)? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Are you willing to work on an extra help/temporary (no benefits) basis? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Are you willing to apply lures containing a small amount of insecticide? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Are you willing to apply herbicides in a field situation? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

List any college level course work you have completed in biology, entomology, agriculture, or a closely related field. Attach additional pages if necessary.

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I certify that all the statements made in this application supplement are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith. I understand that any misrepresentation and/or falsification of my answers may result in rejection of my application for this recruitment. My signature authorizes Placer County to make any appropriate investigations to verify this information.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____